

CITY OF SHORELINE
SHORELINE CITY COUNCIL
SUMMARY MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Monday, May 13, 2019
7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers - Shoreline City Hall
17500 Midvale Avenue North

PRESENT: Mayor Hall, Deputy Mayor McConnell, Councilmembers McGlashan, Scully, Chang, Robertson, and Roberts

ABSENT: None

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Mayor Hall who presided.

2. FLAG SALUTE/ROLL CALL

Mayor Hall led the flag salute. Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers were present.

(a) Proclaiming Armed Services Appreciation Day

Mayor Hall read a proclamation declaring May 18, 2019 as Armed Services Appreciation Day. The proclamation was accepted by Sergeant Ryan Benson, USMC, and several future Marines. Sergeant Benson said the City's acknowledgement of Armed Services Appreciation Day makes a big impact on active duty service members and the future Marines expressed gratitude for the recognition.

3. REPORT OF CITY MANAGER

Debbie Tarry, City Manager, provided reports and updates on various City meetings, projects and events.

4. COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilmember Scully reported that at a recent Continuum of Care Board Meeting it was established that by September there will be a detailed plan for a regional authority on homelessness. He said he also participated in presenting information on the Medic One/Emergency Medical Services Levy to the King County's Regional Policy Council. He said the response was favorable and that King County has voted to put the countywide Levy on the ballot.

Mayor Hall said that several Councilmembers attended the Richmond Beach Strawberry Festival and the Arts Council Gala over the weekend. He added that on Saturday he attended the Cities Climate Summit, at which the Climate and Sustainability Director for the City of Portland, Oregon shared information on how Portland has been able to decrease emissions while growing the population and jobs.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Tamarah Lee, Shoreline Hopelink Center Manager and representative of the North Urban Human Services Alliance (NUHSA), thanked the Council for proclaiming Affordable Housing Week and for the recognition of the urgent need for affordable homes in the community. She invited the Council to the NUHSA event on May 16, 2019.

Laethan Wene, Shoreline resident, thanked everyone who supported the Special Olympics in Shoreline over the weekend.

6. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon motion by Councilmember McGlashan and seconded by Deputy Mayor McConnell and unanimously carried, 7-0, the following Consent Calendar items were approved:

(a) Approving Minutes of Regular Meeting of April 1, 2019

(b) Approving Expenses and Payroll as of April 26, 2019 in the Amount of \$3,082,777.50

***Payroll and Benefits:**

Payroll Period	Payment Date	EFT Numbers (EF)	Payroll Checks (PR)	Benefit Checks (AP)	Amount Paid
3/10/19-3/23/19	3/29/2019	83852-84093	16198-16219	73650-73655	\$861,315.87
3/24/19-4/6/19	4/12/2019	84094-84350	16220-16248	73854-73859	\$737,601.45
					<u>\$1,598,917.32</u>

***Wire Transfers:**

Expense Register Dated	Wire Transfer Number	Amount Paid
4/25/2019	1145	\$4,768.85
		<u>\$4,768.85</u>

***Accounts Payable Claims:**

Expense Register Dated	Check Number (Begin)	Check Number (End)	Amount Paid
4/8/2019	73649	73649	\$2,990.00
4/10/2019	73656	73691	\$255,903.68
4/10/2019	73692	73731	\$1,255.02
4/10/2019	73732	73740	\$8,675.08
4/10/2019	73741	73761	\$30,307.43
4/10/2019	73762	73773	\$6,768.59
4/17/2019	73774	73794	\$255,260.53
4/17/2019	73795	73816	\$141,642.18
4/17/2019	73817	73847	\$822.80
4/17/2019	73848	73850	\$91,760.46
4/17/2019	73851	73851	\$7,838.41
4/18/2019	73852	73853	\$61,425.24
4/24/2019	73860	73893	\$291,060.88
4/24/2019	73894	73931	\$1,174.49
4/24/2019	73932	73941	\$30,295.51
4/24/2019	73942	73961	\$65,095.53
4/24/2019	73962	73969	\$123,329.42
4/25/2019	73970	73970	\$103,486.08
			<u>\$1,479,091.33</u>

8. ACTION ITEMS

- (a) Public Hearing and Discussion on Resolution No. 437 - Approving Placement on the Ballot of a Countywide Levy Proposal for Funding the Medic One/Emergency Medical Services Levy for the Period from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2025

Jim Hammond, Intergovernmental Program Manager, welcomed Michele Plorde, Director of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Division, Public Health – Seattle and King County, who delivered the presentation.

Ms. Plorde described the value of the Medic One/Emergency Medical Services program and explained the tiered EMS system of triaging, dispatch, and transport and the partnership with a variety of departments in King County. She described the data they collect to evaluate the effectiveness of the system and shared statistics. She displayed an image detailing the variability of population density in the areas they serve and said the goal is to provide the same levels of response throughout the diverse areas covered. She showed the locations of the dispatch centers and the EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) agencies, paramedic programs, and hospitals. She indicated the distribution of the medic units throughout the county and said they regularly reevaluate placements to assure best support for the community.

Ms. Plorde shared the guiding principles of the EMS system and stated that because they focus on patient care, they are not the cheapest alternative. She described the Levy planning process

and the EMS Advisory Task Force responsibilities and emphasized the priority of ensuring the integrity of the EMS system. She said the Levy planning began in 2017 and listed the steps in the process; which included identifying task force members and stakeholders, forming subcommittees, initiating a review process, reviewing subcommittee recommendations, and finalizing the EMS system and financial recommendations.

Ms. Plorde introduced the 2020-2025 EMS Levy Financial Proposal and reviewed the background information on how the proposal was formulated. She then displayed a comparison of the financial impact of the program if left at status quo and, alternatively, with the proposed changes. She showed a graph depicting the distribution of programmatic increases and assured the Council that even when calculating worst-case scenarios, the reserve levels are adequate.

She summarized that the proposal ensures that programmatic and financial needs are met, includes sufficient reserves, incorporates sound financial policies, and continues the practice of prudent use of funds. She said the proposal supports a six-year levy and suggested adding it to the November 2019 Ballot. She described the next steps and reviewed the requirements of the levy proposal as dictated by the Revised Code of Washington.

When asked for clarification, Ms. Plorde explained that the difference between EMT and Community Medical Technician (CMT) Units is that CMTs are not required to arrive within a certain amount of time and are able to spend more time with the patients, allowing an opportunity to connect patients to additional support services.

Mayor Hall opened the Public Hearing. There was no public comment. Mayor Hall closed the Public Hearing.

Councilmember Roberts moved to waive Council Rules to allow consideration of Resolution No. 437. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scully and passed unanimously, 7-0.

Mayor Hall recessed the meeting at 7:44 p.m. for a period of two minutes and reconvened it at 7:46 p.m.

Councilmember Scully moved to adopt Resolution No. 437. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McConnell.

Councilmember Scully moved to amend Resolution No. 437 as proposed by staff to replace the levy rate of 27 cents with the rate of 26.5 cents and to authorize staff to make any other changes required for consistency with that change. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McGlashan.

When ask to elaborate on the placement of additional units, if necessary, Ms. Ploude explained that as units are added there is a careful analysis done to identify areas of stress on resources and to determine the best location for additional support.

The motion to amend Resolution No. 437 passed unanimously, 7-0.

Councilmember Scully recognized the work done to thoughtfully create the proposal and praised the flexibility and success rates of the Medic One/EMS teams. He encouraged the Council to support Resolution No. 437.

The main motion as amended passed unanimously, 7-0.

9. STUDY ITEMS

(a) 2018 Police Services Report

Shawn Ledford, Chief of Police, presented the report. He displayed the organizational chart and described the duties of some employees. He shared data on the dispatched calls for service and the self-initiated field activities by officers and explained that the results indicate that the department is proactive in their work. He listed the top categories of dispatched calls for service and mentioned the addition of a canine unit in 2018 and described how it is used. He shared images of the new station at City Hall and said the space is well suited for public access and integration and collaboration with City staff.

Chief Ledford addressed the work of the Police Department toward the Council Goals and shared ways the Department is promoting and enhancing the City's safe community and neighborhood programs and initiatives and focusing on equity and inclusion to enhance opportunities for community engagement.

While reviewing crime statistics, Chief Ledford defined the categories of robbery, larceny, car prowls, and auto theft, and shared that both violent crimes and burglaries decreased in 2018. He showed data by patrol district and said all neighborhoods have seen reduced burglary activity. He explained that the data was compiled from information gathered through the reporting system that is being sunsetted and that the next report will require an adjustment in interpretation to accurately calculate changes and trends.

Chief Ledford said that the Police Department held two Nurturing Trust workshops in 2018 and clarified that the program is designed to build relationships between officers and the community and said they have offered the workshop in Spanish, as well as in English.

Chief Ledford gave an update on the RADAR (Response Awareness De-escalation And Referral) Program and said he is waiting on results of a survey to determine if the uses of force have decreased since program implementation. He said that the Police currently have response plans in place for community members identified as high risk or impaired and said that if officers are forewarned when going into a situation that may involve a person with mental illness they are better prepared for de-escalation. He said the King County Council approved funding for 2019 for additional shared North Sound RADAR employees, including four Navigators, for the cities of Shoreline, Kirkland, Bothell, Lake Forest Park, and Kenmore to share additional resources and said the support has elevated the levels of management and training.

Councilmember Robertson thanked Chief Ledford for the outreach to sensitive members of the community. Chief Ledford added that the Department is working with the North East King County Regional Public Safety Communication Agency (NORCOM) to share the RADAR response plans with the Fire Department, since there is often an overlap of response to calls.

Councilmember Scully shared that the most common complaint he hears from community members are about needles and trash in parks. He said if a program similar to RADAR is developed that focuses on the homeless and substance abuse communities and is not enforcement-heavy, he would support it. Chief Ledford said the Department enforces rules when they witness them being violated but added that it is helpful for residents to report needles in parks, so the Police can clean them up.

Councilmember Scully said he appreciates that traffic officers in Shoreline focus on high-injury and high-accident areas. Mayor Hall said he appreciates when traffic rules are enforced and stated that he expects officers to enforce all laws. Chief Ledford said there are certain areas of the city which the Department has identified as potentially being at lower risk for injury, but higher for collisions.

Councilmember Roberts said he has not heard any negative feedback about Police conduct. He asked if the crime reduction trends in Shoreline compare to those in neighboring cities. Chief Ledford said Lake Forest Park is seeing similar successes and North Seattle is seeing an increase in property crimes, but that he would need to conduct further research to provide more information.

When asked what efforts the Department is making to recruit people of color, Chief Ledford said they are continuously looking for opportunities to diversity their workforce, but often have to look outside of the Seattle area to achieve this goal.

10. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:21 p.m., Mayor Hall declared the meeting adjourned.

Jessica Simulcik Smith, City Clerk